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HAVE YOU EVER FIGURED THE "FREIGHT" YOU PAY WHEN YOU ORDER FROM THE MAIL ORDER HOUSE? YOU PAY THE "HIGH RATE" BECAUSE YOU SHIP IN A LITTLE. WE GET THE "LOW" RATE, BECAUSE WE SHIP IN BIG QUANTITIES.

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Clearance Sale starts Saturday, February 17th

# Leader Mercantile Co.

Cooper's Old Stand.

Corner Military and River Streets

### New Furniture Store

J. H. Hannah, who recently came to Baxter to take over the management of A. Hood & Son's store, announces that he will enlarge the business by adding a complete line of furniture. Mr. Hannah went to Kansas City Tuesday to select stock for the new department. He will be absent for the balance of the week. Hood & Sons, who have a chain of stores, are heavy buyers and sellers of merchandise and the statement that a furniture department will be added to the Baxter house, means that it will be a complete and first class stock, for the company never does things on a small scale.

O. C. Fithian, of Nash, Okla., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fithian, of this city, mourns the loss of his wife, who died on February 8, 1917, of blood poisoning. A daughter nine months old is left motherless; also the lady's parents, three sisters and one brother are left to mourn her untimely departure from this world. A host of friends extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

### Episcopal Announcement

Archdeacon Stenter-Mounsey, of Topeka, will hold communion services on Monday evening, at 7:30 p. m., in St. Mark's Episcopal church. All are invited to be present. The Archdeacon is an eloquent and forceful speaker.

J. O. Treece, of the Baxter Supply Co., went to St. Louis Tuesday on a stock buying trip, expecting to be absent the balance of the week.

George Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terence Connor, has returned to Baxter, with his family to reside, and is occupying the Tarr property on River street. Mr. Connor will associate himself with the Howard E. Gray Agency, of Joplin, which is about to establish a branch here for their insurance, bond and real estate business, and will be manager of the Baxter business. For the past seven years he has been in a bank at Fontana, Kas.

### Nabbing Scorchers.

Marshal Henry Horton has made four arrests and four men contributed to the city treasury the past week. All were guilty of violating the city speed ordinance—"burning up the road" in motor parlance. Henry says the city will become wealthy if speeding doesn't stop for he is going to arrest every driver he can catch violating the speed law.

**Smallpox Scare Exaggerated**  
The great scare at Riverton over the smallpox case is all over and gone. The parties who were supposed to be quarantined are all at work and no fear is entertained by any one. It is claimed that the man who died did not have the smallpox as reported, although the attending physicians claim that it was. All are glad that the scare is over and that there is no danger.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Polster had as their guests last week Mrs. J. E. Evans of Hartford, Kas., and Mrs. Channel of Crockett, Tex., sisters of Mrs. Polster. The ladies departed on Friday for their homes.

### MILL SITES PROVEN.

Exploration Work Goes on with Great Results.

Drilling operations in the proximity of Baxter continue to show up extra ordinary deposits of lead and jack.

In several cases mines have already been proven, notably on the Hocker land, where two 300 ton mills are now being built, on the R. F. Hartley farm, where twelve holes have been sunk and seven went through from ten to fifty feet of good ore, and on the Carl Ebenstein farm where within the past ten days two drill holes have penetrated an ore body of great richness. In both holes from 160 to 192 feet the assays are said to have averaged 25 per cent blend. The first lease on the Ebenstein property is owned by Grantham & Pratt and Mr. Pratt and associates have the second lease. When in Baxter recently Mr. Pratt said that his company had decided to begin soon to sink a shaft and erect a mill on the property.

On the Hartley property, the lease of which is held by the Miami Royalty company, actual mining will begin soon.

These properties lie from a half mile to two miles from Baxter Springs. These are by no means the only ore strikes. It is well known that good ore has been found in a majority of several hundred drill holes already sunk between here and Picher. The results, however, in a majority of cases have been kept secret, for the reason, operators claim, that already reports of ore strikes have encouraged fee owners to demand royalties so high that there is nothing left for the man who does the mining.

### Lowell Sends Petition

The citizens of Lowell have sent to Mayor Stone and the councilmen of Galena a petition signed by one hundred citizens of Lowell, asking that Galena favor the "Rogersline" passing through Galena, so as to insure the line to pass through Lowell. The people of Lowell feel aggrieved at the stand Galena has taken to keep the line from passing through Galena and deprive the Lowell people of the line to the displeasure of her citizens. The Lowell people claim that if Galena still persists in her course, Lowell must seek another place to trade. We hope the matter will be adjusted to the satisfaction of both concerned and allow the line to come via of Lowell, the most feasible route.

### AUTHORITY ON ANTHROPOIDS



To Prof. Margarethe Zelenka the war seems like an unbidden intruder who has come to interrupt all the important things in the world—and one of the important things in the study of the anthropoid ape—at least to Frau Zelenka. The Munich lady scientist arrived in this country to attend a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. When the session is over she will visit her uncle in California and while there will visit the aborigines and study the soul life and songs of the American Indian, not forgetting to peep at the anthropological material the United States affords.

Frau Zelenka is almost "the" authority on anthropoids. This study has been her life work. During her travels in search of knowledge of this subject she has made explorations in Java, Ceylon, and Asia. In 1907 the Japanese government put 100 men at her disposal for two years; they dug and worked without asking her to pay one penny to the government. The government also assigned soldiers to guard the workers who were Malay prisoners.

Just before the war broke out she had arranged for an expedition to Ceylon, but had to give it up. On her previous visit to Ceylon she came in contact with a remnant of a primitive tribe and made phonographic records of their songs.

**Orders Girls to Keep on Stage.**  
Johnstown, Pa.—Because Mayor Louis Franke saw a shapely chorus girl serve what the mayor says was beer to several occupants of the "bald-headed" row the other night, caperings of chorus girls in Johnstown will be confined to the stage in the future. The mayor says he saw a girl pour part of the contents of a bottle into a glass. The contents of the bottle gurgled forth with the sound of beer, it foamed like beer, and it bubbled like beer. Therefore, says the mayor, it was beer.

**Change Sued Him.**  
Roxanne Rox—"Harold, may I ask the clergyman to omit from the marriage service the word 'obey'?" Harold Hardup—"Certainly, darling. Just tell him to make it 'love, honor and supply.'"—Puck.

### Numbering Baxter Houses

J. T. Cassidy, representing the Weber House Numbering Company, has made arrangements with Mayor Willard and the city council to mark the streets and number the houses of the city. Mr. Cassidy will begin work this week.

He will place street names on every corner, and assign a number to each 25 feet, using the universal plan of starting each block with an even hundred.

No charge is to be made for putting up the street signs, but each house owner will be asked to pay the very moderate price of 50 cents for a number for his house.

Baxter surely needs this improvement. As it is at present, few people know even the name of the street on which they live, and when one tries to direct a person to a certain house he finds it a hard task. Now, that the town is beginning a new growth and one that is likely to double the population in a very short time, and is filling up with strangers, to number the houses and mark the streets will prove a great convenience.

Mr. Cassidy has had many years experience in this work and he may be depended on to do the numbering as it should be. His price of 50 cents for a house number is very reasonable and, while it is not required by law, it is to be hoped and expected that every residence owner in the city will give Mr. Cassidy the order to put up a number.

### Deaths of the Week.

Irene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bryant, born in Ottawa County, Okla., Aug. 19, 1909, died on Thursday, February 8, 1917. The child had been ill since last October. Her sweet and kind disposition had won the love of all who knew her. Her baby sister, Edna Rosalie, was her best loved playmate. Father and mother, three sisters and one brother are left to mourn her loss and a host of friends extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

### Mrs. Dena Reuter.

Mrs. Dena Reuter Haak of Tanev County, Mo., died Feb. 8, 1917. She was an old resident of Baxter, a daughter of H. H. Reuter, sister of Gus Reuter of Joplin and Mrs. O. N. Baldwin of this city. Her husband, Will Haaks, accompanied Mrs. Baldwin home Sunday evening to spend a few days here.

### George T. Anderson.

Died, at Iola, Kans., Jan. 28, 1917, of apoplexy. The body was brought to Baxter Springs and laid at rest in the Baxter cemetery. Mr. Anderson was for many years a resident of this city moving from here to Iola where the family still resides.

## WANT COLUMN

Come to the Baxter Stove Co. with your junk. Get the highest price on market.

For Sale—Three brood mares and one horse. Inquire of A. C. Ballard Route 5.

Wanted—Woman to work by day, general housework, washing and ironing. Mrs. J. L. Nelson.

Public Stenographer—Ina J. Cribbs, Room 3, Baxter State Bank Building.

Five Room House and 3 lots for \$400. Located first house east of Springs Park on left hand side. For particulars call Mrs. F. M. Sutton, telephone 43, also 2 room house and one lot, first house north of park, for \$275. Inquire of Will Ludwigton.

Primo Camera, post card size, to trade for good typewriter. Call at News office.

Four Room House with barn and custer on 2 large lots, south and east front; three blocks from postoffice. Price \$1000. For particulars call N. M. Black, Military street first house north of bridge.

Studebaker Car—Five passenger, good condition. For sale or trade. Inquire at Pearl Meat Market.

Plymouth Rock Eggs, for setting, fine laying strain, 15 for \$1.00. E. J. Wyatt, phone 3119.

For Sale—One windmill with tower for \$20.00. E. J. Wyatt, Phone 3119.

Painter and Paper Hanger.—First class. Phone 221, will call and make estimates. W. A. Little.

Barred Plymouth Rock Pullets, from fine laying strain, \$1.00 each. E. J. Wyatt, phone 3119.

### Notice

Dead and valueless stock taken care of free within eight miles of Baxter. Phone M. A. Patton at McAbey's Meat Market. Telephone 195

Wanted—Lowest cash price on farm or mineral lands around Baxter. Address D., care of The News.

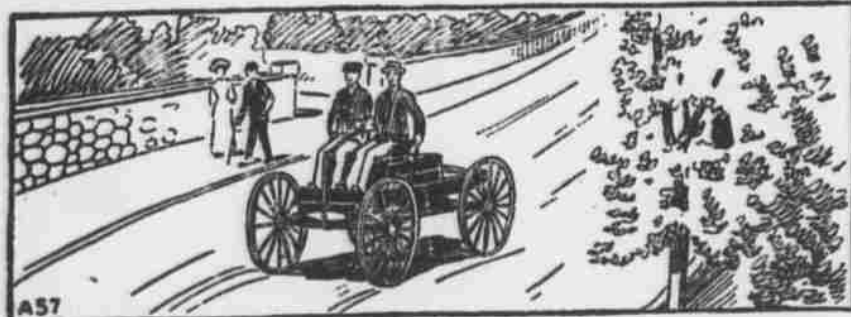
X Ray Incubator, 150 egg, used one season, cost \$24.00; for sale for \$10.00. E. J. Wyatt, phone 3119.

Lost—One right hand corduroy lined man's glove, black cloth top, leather palm, January 28th. Finder please leave at News office.

**BAXTER CHAPTER**  
No 78, R. A. M. Meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in Masonic hall, at 7:30 p. m. Visiting Companions are always welcome. F. L. Brewster, Sec.; J. W. Twente, H. P.

### Nurse's Hard Job.

Doctor—"Remember, nurse, you must keep the patients cheerful, and not let them get downhearted." Nurse—"But what can I do, doctor? Six of them have proposed to me already this morning."



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